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I AM AIA LASVEGAS MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

I am a proud member of the AIA because... my membership creates opportunities. Over the past 25 years, my AIA membership has provided rich opportunities for professional development, service on the board, committee participation, collaborative opportunities with other members, mentors when needed, and many other fun social events like Canstruction, nights out with the 51's, and our annual golf tournament. Today, through AIA, I am mostly excited to engage with the emerging professionals from the UNLV School of Architecture, and work on our 2019 theme of Blueprint for Better which is focused on affordable housing and homelessness in southern Nevada.

My name is Dwayne R. Eshenbaugh, AIA, NCARB, LEED AP. I am originally from Freeport, Pennsylvania (a small town 25 miles northeast of Pittsburgh) and have now called Las Vegas home for more than 34 years. I am a 1994 graduate of the UNLV School of Architecture (BS) and a 1997 graduate of the University of Arizona College of Architecture (BArch and MArch). In 2009, at the height of the economic downturn, I founded NOUVS Architecture, an award winning 10-person architecture and interior design firm focused on excellence in design and service. Outside of architecture and design, my passions include playing guitar, fly-fishing, international travel, and spending time with my family and friends.



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Most important thing you've learned? I've learned that continued Active Leadership is essential in achieving success.

What do you believe needs to be the next area of innovation in our profession? We must work together and focus on all issues relative to Climate Control (both inside and outside of our profession). Architects must actively engage with local, state, and federal governmental agencies, building code officials, engineers, contractors, private sector business leaders, and product manufacturers to significantly reduce the amount of embodied energy used in the building process while reducing the global carbon footprint - immediately.

In 2019, I would challenge our AIA Las Vegas Committee on the Environment (COTE), to determine where AIA Las Vegas can collectively and locally make the biggest impact relative to climate control.

If you were to change one thing about our profession today what would it be? As Architects, our work tasks are somewhat diverse, but are generally performed by a group lacking in diversity. Our profession needs more diversity in its people and in the work tasks we do so we can become a more inclusive, sustainable and innovative profession. In my opinion, the diversity in people part is the easy part and statistically moving in the right direction. However, I believe our profession will continue to derogate or even fail if we only continue to graduate "traditional architects" which I would define as those who do work on a multitude of "building and construction projects". Today we practice in a smaller, more connected, and faster world and need more architects utilizing their education, experience, and passion, in

non-traditional leadership roles. These new, non-traditional roles could include lawyers who introduce environmental legislation at all levels of government, CEO's who lead our private and public utility companies, Executive Directors of non-profit organizations who resolve to end homelessness, etc. In a nutshell, I would retool our traditional educational pedagogy to encourage and support paths leading toward more atypical and innovative career alternatives that fall under the architecture umbrella.

What is your favorite piece of architecture? Why? I've crossed paths with my favorite piece of architecture many times throughout my domestic and international travels over the past half century of life. On some occasions, I am impressed with age, mass, patina, and detail, while on others, I appreciate the monochromatic, minimalistic, and delicate qualities. My favorite architecture is never about the author, awards or notoriety. My favorite architecture is all about feeling. Emotionally, how do I feel while experiencing the building or space? Is the interval between time and innovation significant? Does it raise the hair on my arms or even cause me to shed a tear? It is impossible to answer this question with one or two or 10 examples, so I'll continue my search and report back if I ever find just one.

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On behalf of the AIA Las Vegas Board, I want to wish everyone a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year ahead. As a valued member of our Chapter, I encourage you to get involved this year by attending our meetings, joining a committee, or holding a leadership position on the Board. Our Chapter is only as good as our active members so please get involved and have some fun this year!

2019 is an exciting year for our Chapter as we prepare to host the AIA 2019 Conference on Architecture at the Las Vegas Convention Center from June 6-8. Our AMAZING staff and volunteers have been working for the past year to ensure we are well positioned for a successful A'19 Conference. Randy Lavigne (our Executive Director) will be sending out a request for volunteers soon, but if you want to get involved sooner, simply reach out to Randy at rlavigne@aianeveda.org and join the A'19 volunteer team!

This year, the Institute has developed the national theme of "Blueprint for Better" which provides local components with the opportunity to create and develop plans and programs that improve their communities and the world. As announced at our Holiday Gala, our theme for 2019 is Blueprint for Better: Explorations into Affordable Housing and Homelessness specific to our community.

The facts are alarming, but I believe AIA Las Vegas can make a difference if we work together with the local organizations already in the trenches and making progress. Here are [10 facts](#) about affordable housing and homelessness in Southern Nevada:

- Fact 01: The leading cited barriers to obtaining housing are lack of income and an inability to afford rent (lack of affordable housing).
- Fact 02: Nevada has the #1 greatest shortage of affordable housing for Extremely Low Income (ELI) households in the Nation.
- Fact 03: 16,641 will experience homelessness this year in Southern Nevada.
- Fact 04: 21% of them are unaccompanied children or youth.
- Fact 05: 51% of them are experiencing homelessness for the first time.
- Fact 06: 6,083 homeless on any given night in Southern Nevada.
- Fact 07: Nevada has the 3rd highest rate of total unsheltered homeless individuals in the Nation.
- Fact 08: Nevada has the #1 highest rate of unsheltered unaccompanied youth in the Nation.
- Fact 09: Nevada has the worst shortage of affordable housing and available rental homes in the nation.
- Fact 10: Veterans are overrepresented among the homeless however, Veteran homeless population is at "Functional Zero".

Our January 23rd membership meeting brings together a panel of local experts to educate our membership about the issues of affordable housing and homelessness in our community with a focus on how we can collectively join the efforts in progress to end homelessness in Southern Nevada. Prior to the meeting, I encourage you to do a little research by exploring a few of the local organizations already making a

difference. They are: [The Nevada Homeless Alliance](#), [The Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth](#), [Nevada Hand](#), [Veteran's Village](#), [UNLV Greenspun College of Urban Affairs](#), [City of Las Vegas Community Services](#), [Built for Zero Southern Nevada](#), [Help Hope Home](#), [HELP of Southern Nevada](#) and [The Shade Tree](#). There are many more, but this is a good starting point.

Changing subjects, in 1982, I was a high school sophomore in Freeport, Pennsylvania when recording artist Prince released his "1999" album and protest song "1999". As you may recall, the catchy hit suggested that Armageddon was upon us so we all might as well "party like it's 1999". Well 1999 has come and gone, and here we are 20 years later in 2019 facing (in the opinion of many) a threat larger than mass destruction by nuclear weapons.

As our stellar Past President, Jennifer Turchin, AIA writes about in her December 2018 final President's Message, our planet is now faced with the colossal challenge of slowing global warming within the next 12 years with an immediate need of curbing our carbon emissions in the next 12 months. I urge you to go back and read Jennifer's message and 1) Join the 2030 Commitment, 2) Adapt and retrofit old buildings, 3) Select carbon-smart materials, and 4) Pursue renewable energy. Make a conscious decision and personal commitment for change so we can all live to party another day.



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BLUEPRINT FOR BETTER

Explorations into Affordable Housing and Homelessness

AIA National's "Blueprint for Better" initiative encourages chapters to reflect and work with civic leaders to take on critical issues affecting our cities. This year, AIA Las Vegas, under the direction of chapter President Dwayne Eshenbaugh, AIA, we will shine a light on improving our city through a focus on Affordable Housing and Homelessness.

The first meeting this year will be January 23rd, in the chambers of the Clark County Government Center, and will launch this year-long program. All members are invited and encouraged to attend, participate and learn more about what architects can do to solve these problems in our community. A panel of local experts who work and study solutions surrounding homelessness in our valley will be lead by Patrick Penatta, AIA who joins us from Phoenix, AZ.

Patrick is the Director of Project Management in the University REal Estate Development Office at ASU. He is Past-President of both the AIA Phoenix-Metro and Arizona chapters and served on the AIA National Strategic Council as a Director for the AIA Western Mountain Region. He is directly responsible for bringing about the AIA National initiative to address Affordable Housing and Homelessness. He currently serves as the national 2018-2019 AIA Treasurer, will facilitate the discussion with panel members Jocelyn Bluit Fisher, City of Las Vegas Community Services Administrator, Patricia Cook-Craig, UNLV Professor and Arash Ghafoori, Executive Director of the Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth (NPHY).

Jocelyn Bluit Fisher is responsible for developing and implementing the city's responses to address homelessness. She manages the Courtyard Homeless Resource Center initiative and the city's homeless outreach teams called the Multi-Agency Outreach Resource Engagement (MORE) Teams.

Patricia Cook-Craig is an associate professor at the UNLV School of Public Policy and Leadership in the College of Urban Affairs. Her recent work has focused on the evaluation of violence prevention programming. Her experience and insights into how violence contributes to homelessness will add greatly to the discussion.

Arash Ghafoori has leveraged his diverse background in policy, academia, and the start-up and corporate worlds, to transform Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth (NPHY) into a community leader on issues affecting Southern Nevada's homeless youth. As a passionate advocate for disadvantaged populations he is an active leader in the national and local movements to end youth homelessness, serving on the Board of Directors of the National Network for Youth, the Advisory Board of National Safe Place, and the Southern Nevada Homeless Continuum of Care Board. A firm believer in the intersections between public, private, and nonprofit sectors, he works to create visionary solutions for social problems.

Mike Mullin, CEO of Nevada HAND will also join the panel. Mike established Nevada HAND in 1993 as a non profit company, recognizing that by combining his private sector development with underutilized federal resources and an entrepreneurial spirit, he could improve housing opportunities for seniors with fixed incomes and working families. Nevada HAND is a trusted industry leader that provides high quality apartment homes and services to more than 3,000 seniors, 1700 adults and 1500 children in 35 locations throughout the Las Vegas Valley.

Attend the January Member Meeting on Wednesday, January 23rd 5:30PM in the Clark County Government Center and join the "Blueprint for Better" task force with your fellow AIA members to find solutions. Members will work together throughout the year in idea sessions, charrettes, focus groups and presentations to find the best solutions.

[CLICK HERE TO RSVP](#)



PLAN YOUR 2019 AIA LAS VEGAS YEAR

Here's the draft calendar for the year. Mark these dates and events on your calendar so that you don't miss any of the fun or learning opportunities. Be sure to read your FORUM each month for updates and any changes that may occur.

JANUARY

Launch Scholarships / UNLV Spring Semester

- 23** AIA Member Meeting – Initial Announcement & Discussion of “Blueprint for Better – Explorations into Affordable Housing and Homelessness”

- 25-26** WMR Leadership Retreat
Salt Lake City, UT

FEBRUARY

- 20** AIA Member Meeting – Available for Hosting

MARCH

- 2** Bald by Design – St. Baldricks

- 6 - 9** Grassroots – Washington, DC

- 20** AIA Member Meeting – Available for Hosting

- 29** Spring Directory Published

APRIL

ART, ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN MONTH

- TBD** COTE Project Tour or Case Study

- TBD** CANstruction

- 5** High School Design Awards Jury

- 17** AIA Member Meeting
High School Design Awards

- 22** AIA 46th Annual Golf Tournament

MAY

Nominations for the AIA LV Board 2020

- 15** AIA Member Meeting: Affordable Housing Best Practices

- 23** AIA / NSBAIDRD C.E. Seminar

JUNE

- 5-9** A'19 Conference on Architecture hosted by AIA Las Vegas

JULY

- 17** AIA Member Meeting – Available for Hosting

AUGUST

Call for Entries / Nominations – AIA NV Design & Service Awards

- 21** AIA Member Meeting:- Hosted by Moda Lighting

- 23** AIA Member Meeting: 24-Hour Task Force Charrette on Affordable Housing And Homelessness

SEPTEMBER

- 11** AIA Member Meeting
Learn About/Turn About Product Show

- 18-21** WMR Conference – Snow King Resort /Jackson Hole, WY

- 29** Fall Directory Published

OCTOBER

- 2** Allied Member Recognition Day

- 16** AIA Member Meeting: Final Blueprint for Better Presentation and Reception

NOVEMBER

- 20** AIA Member Meeting: Holiday Celebration & Awards Gala

DECEMBER

- 5** AIA / NSBAIDRD C.E. Seminar

**Dates and programs are subject to change. Please check the AIA Las Vegas website calendar to confirm. www.aialasvegas.org*



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This year the Chapter has a special offer and your firm can host your very own AIA Member Meeting on February 20th, March 20th or July 17th. All you have to do is select the month and make it your own.

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- Bring in a speaker or provide an interesting educational program
- Host a fun networking event

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Make this the year you get involved. You've been saying it for several years now...so here's a great opportunity for you to make it happen for you and for the Chapter.

Membership & Diversity

Purpose: To work with Chapter staff to increase the number, equity and diversity of Chapter membership.
Chair – Jeni Panars, AIA

2020 Programs Committee

Purpose: As the 2020 incoming President, Lance Kirk, AIA and representatives of member groups work with Chapter staff to plan, schedule, and budget for programs that benefit members each year.
Chair – Lance Kirk, AIA

NV Legislative Affairs Committee

Purpose: To monitor legislative issues on the local, state and national levels and respond to those that could impact practice, the environment and any areas of concern – advocating in the best interest of architects and design professionals.
*Board Liaison – Jon Sparer, AIA
Advocacy & Legislative Affairs*

Emerging Professionals and Young Architects Committee

Purpose: To work with Chapter staff to plan and initiate programs that will benefit AIA members who are not yet licensed and those who are newly licensed by providing educational, and social outreach programs that add to their experience, knowledge and engagement in the AIA. Includes AIA/AIAS Mentoring Committee
Board Liaison – Kyle Fischer, AIA

COTE Committee (Committee on the Environment)

Purpose: To engage and educate AIA members to the importance of sustainability, renewable resources and environmental issues.
Board Liaison – Anna Peltier

AIA Scholarship Committee

Purpose: To work with donors to provide scholarships to UNLV architecture students that will assist in their education and to explore other scholarship opportunities.
Board Liaison – Glenn Nowak, AIA

AIA Nevada Fellows Committee

Purpose: To identify, engage, support and encourage AIA members for elevation to AIA Fellowship, and to mentor and engage with Young Architects to assist with their professional and personal development.
Chair – Ed Vance, FAIA

Education Outreach Committee

Purpose: To engage with Elementary, Middle, High Schools and School of Architecture (AIAS) providing programs that educate and inspire students regarding the value of architecture and the career opportunities available in the profession.
*Chair – Jon Sparer, FAIA
AIA Las Vegas High School
Design Awards Chair – Ryan Sisti,
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Allied Member Committee

Purpose: To represent the interests of Allied Members and to help develop opportunities for recognition and appreciation of these members and their contributions to the Chapter.
Board Liaison – Anna Peltier

Urban Sketchers Las Vegas

Purpose: To provide opportunities for AIA members, and other in the community, to improve their drawing and sketching skills and learn sketching techniques. To provide relaxed social events in which the group can share their interests in sketching.
Chair – Eric Roberts, AIA

**EVENTS COMMITTEES / STAFF:
Special Events Committees:****AIA Las Vegas “Learn About – Turn About” Product Show**

Purpose: Fundraiser for support of the Chapter, Educational program and Social Networking Event.
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Art, Architecture & Design Month

Purpose: To elevate public awareness of art, architecture & design through collaboration with affiliated organizations.
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Annual AIA LV Golf Tournament

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AIA Las Vegas Design Committee

Purpose: AIA Nevada **Excellence in Design Awards** program recognizes achievements in architectural design, establish as standard of excellence against which all architects can measure performance and informs the public of the breadth and value of architecture practice.

Purpose: AIA Nevada **Distinguished Service Awards** programs honors the achievements of exceptional members and firms through this program. It is designed to recognize the significant contributions made to the profession of architecture and to the larger community through the various levels of AIA membership.
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End of Year Holiday Celebration

Purpose: Serves as annual meeting of the Chapter, transition of Presidents and Board Members, Recognition of Sponsors and Supporters, and Design & Service Awards Gala.
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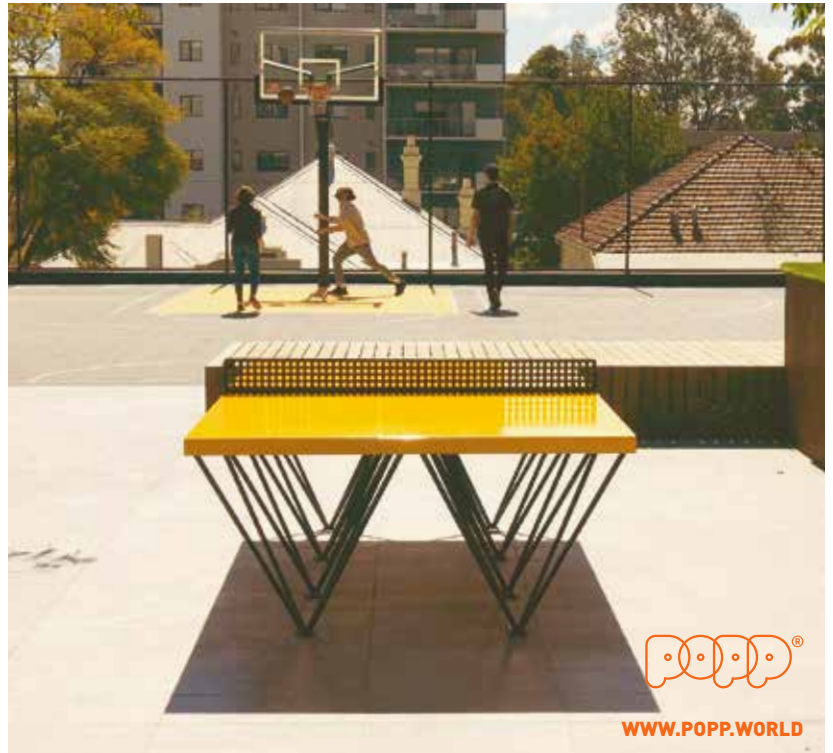
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EDWARD A. VANCE, FAIA INAUGURATED AS CHANCELLOR FOR THE COLLEGE OF FELLOWS OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Edward A. Vance, FAIA, was inaugurated as the 57th Chancellor of the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) on December 6th at a formal ceremony held in the Kennedy Caucus Room of the Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, DC.

Vance was elected Chancellor by members of the College of Fellows citing his leadership and service to the Institute, the profession of architecture and his community. He is the first chancellor to be named from the state of Nevada and only the third to come from the Western Mountain Region since the early 1950s. Vance's engagement with AIA exemplifies how sustained service to the Institute advances the profession of architecture regionally and nationally.

Vance served as College of Fellows Vice-Chancellor in 2018, as Jury Member for the 2019 Latrobe Prize, Secretary for the College of Fellows from 2016–2017, on the AIA National Board from 2010–2012, and as Chair of AIA/ACSA Topaz Medallion Jury in 2012. Vance received the AIA Richard Upjohn Fellowship Medal in 2012 for contributions to the profession through his service on the AIA National Board of Directors. Vance voluntarily authors and edits the AIA College of Fellows monthly newsletter as well as numerous college publications and booklets for AIA award recipients.



He is a member of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties, where he is the founding member of the Developing Leaders Institute. Former roles included director for the Lied Discovery Children's Museum, and Boy Scouts of America. Additionally, he served as the past Nevada State coordinator for the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards' (NCARB) Intern Development Program.

Vance attended Moorhead State University for three years before receiving his Bachelor of Arts (1979) and Bachelor of Architecture (1981) degrees from North Dakota State University. He moved to Las Vegas in 1987 where he has practiced for nearly 30 years. He is the Founding Principal of EV&A Architects, a 22-person Las Vegas design firm specializing in commercial, hospitality and healthcare architecture.

As Chancellor Vance's goals are 1) To continue to promote The Latrobe Prize, a \$100,000 grant given biannually to support research leading to significant advances in the architectural profession; 2) To invest in the future through funding the Young Architect Award and together with the AIA, support the Young Architects Forum, which addresses the relevant issues facing recently licensed architects; and 3) Strengthen the leadership of the organization to support research, mentoring, and effectively increase communications to members and beyond.

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EPYAF NEWS
Kyle Fischer, AIA
EPYAF Director

It is with honor and great pleasure that I accept the position as AIA Las Vegas' Emerging Professionals

Director. I want to sincerely thank Travis Allen for serving the last two years and I look forward to continuing his efforts on the future growth of the program. I'm going to start things off by telling you a little about myself and then giving you some background on the EPIYAF and what we do.

While I wasn't born in Las Vegas, I've lived here for over 20 years. I graduated from Arbor View High School and went on to receive my BS and Masters of Architecture degrees from UNLV. I started taking my ARE under 5.0 in March of 2017 and earned my license shortly thereafter. I've always been involved with the AIA and AIAS, but this will be my first official board position. I'm excited for what the next two years have to bring!
Now for a little about the EPIYAF...

WHO WE ARE:

The EPIYAF (Emerging Professionals & Young Architects Forum) is the largest membership group in the AIA, encompassing students (High School and College), Recent Graduates, Interns & Associates, and Young Architects (licensed for 10 years or less).

WHAT WE DO:

The EPIYAF addresses issues of particular importance through gatherings and events. While the context is ever-changing, they always seek to fulfill our three overriding goals:

- To encourage professional growth and leadership development through interaction and collaboration within the AIA and allied groups.
- To build a network and serve as a collective voice for emerging professionals by working to ensure that issues of particular relevance to young architects and interns are appropriately addressed by the Institute.
- To make AIA membership valuable to young architects and interns, and develop the future leadership of the profession.

CURRENT EVENTS:

MENTORSHIP PROGRAM: Over the course of a semester, 5 dedicated EPs will lead 5 groups of 5 AIAS members in our rotating membership program. Students and Mentors will be expected to attend one monthly EPIYAF event in addition to one group mentoring session. These sessions can take place at school, in the office, or over lunch, and can be used to discuss anything from studio projects to licensure. Our Spring Semester Kickoff Meeting will happen the first week of February, stay tuned for additional info.

MEMOIR MONDAYS: Sit down with local, seasoned professionals and gain insights about how they started their careers, paths to licensure, ups and downs of firm ownership, lessons learned, and personal stories along the way.

HARD HAT TOURS: These construction site visits expose Emerging Professionals to the complexities of the construction process. There are many lessons to be learned from seeing raw materials and details in person.

BUILDING STORIES: This event brings together the owner, architect, and contractor to talk about their time together on a particular project and the invaluable lessons learned.

DESIGN FILM SERIES: This is a casual event where we like to showcase some of our favorite design related films. Popcorn included!

CANstruction: Teams of designers work together to create amazing sculptures using only cans! This charity event raises thousands of food cans for donation to Three Square Las Vegas. The event takes place in April so keep an eye out for future updates! Questions or concerns? Contact the committee chair, Travis Allen - TAllen@csdarchitecture.com

And lastly - if you're interested in helping out with the planning and promoting of these events, have some ideas of your own, or would like to be part of the Emerging Professionals committee in any way - please email me at kfischer@edvanceassociates.com



The Urban Sketchers next meeting will be
Saturday, January 12, 2019
from 12:00 pm to 2:00pm

They will be meeting at
The Outdoor Skating Rink
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(1980 Festival Plaza Dr., LV, NV. 89135
near the Pavilion at The Lawn)

702-498-3658 Eric's Cell
You should bring your own sketch supplies, some water and your water colors (if you'd like). Don't forget some water (to drink), something to sit on (you'll be glad you did). A parka and sunscreen is still a must!!

See you On Saturday, January 12th!



Sketch by Urban Sketchers Las Vegas Member Hani Raouf



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Shaving the Way to Conquer Kids' Cancer

We are gearing up for the next Bald By Design head shave event in support of the St. Baldrick's Foundation. The Foundation funds about \$30 million per year toward childhood cancer research initiatives.

The event will be on March 2, 2019 at McMullan's Irish Pub. As the Nevada AIA chapter is our official team sponsor, we invite any AIA members to join our team as shavees or as volunteers. If you want to shave, men usually just shave. Women with long hair have the option to shave, or to cut 10+ inches for use in making wigs for kids going through chemotherapy. If you are interested to join the team in any capacity, you can sign up at the St. Baldrick's website (www.stbaldricks.org). Be sure to check the Team box and pick Bald By Design. Those of you that are returning for another year, same instructions apply regarding checking the team box. If anyone needs assistance you can reach out to me at phil.ralston@ancnv.com.

This will be the 8th year that the Bald By Design team has been shaving as a team. In that time the team has raised over \$700,000 for the Foundation! We are very proud of this, but look forward to hitting \$1 million!! If you don't choose to volunteer or to shave, please keep supporting your friends and family that do shave by donating to their websites. We can't do what we do without your support.

Thanks for all the support and encouragement that the chapter has provided. We look forward to another great year!

Best regards,
Phil Ralston
Bald By Design Team Captain
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ADVANCING TO A TOP TIER UNIVERSITY INVEST IN THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

There is a long and honorable history of AIA Las Vegas members' support of the UNLV School of Architecture. The need is greater now than ever and your unrestricted commitment will allow the School of Architecture to progress towards a top tier university status, known for world-class research, academic excellence with an exceptional student body. Our profession and our community needs this.

The AIA Las Vegas School of Architecture Committee has a goal of raising \$150,000 annually to launch visionary initiatives elevating the School and transforming the design community. Invest in Education....and invest in the future of the profession in Las Vegas. Your generous individual or firm support provides a margin of excellence and makes an immediate impact.

Individual members are asked to make a pledge of \$1,000, and Firm memberships are offered at a pledge \$5,000. You can also build a stronger future of the SOA by extending your contribution into a five year pledge.

Dr. Steffen Lehmann, the New Director of the School of Architecture, has already initiated a program to elevate the school's status, establishing Design Research Labs, Student Awards, Book Publications and participating in the AIA Conference on Architecture, hosted by the AIA Las Vegas Chapter June 6-8, 2019. Your contributions can also be directed to support these efforts.

Dr. Lehmann is establishing Seven Theme-based areas of research concentration in the School as follows:

City Wellbeing	Ageing + Healthcare Interior Design Lab. A joint Lab with Architecture and the Allied Health Sciences with Dr. Kopec
City Analytics	NEAT Building Science Lab with Dr. Fernandez-Gonzalez
City Visualization	SIM Digital Fabrication Lab with Joshua Vermillion, Assistant Professor
City Futures	Urban Futures Lab: Joint Lab with Architecture, Engineering and Urban Affairs, with Dr. Lehmann
City Making	Design + Build Lab with Eric Weber, Associate Professor
City Activation	Hospitality + Entertainment – Architecture Lab with Glenn NP Nowak, AIA
City Change	DDC-Community Engagement + Neighborhood Lab with Steven Clarke, Associate Professor



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To learn more about the AIA Las Vegas School of Architecture and our support of the School contact Randy Lavigne, Hon. AIA rlavigne@aianeveda.org.

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Ciesynski is the owner and principal designer of the Sparks-based Spaces Design & Planning, which specializes in commercial and hospitality design for projects in the western United States. Prior to being elected Chair, Ciesynski served as board Secretary/Treasurer for two years and has been a member of the Nevada board for eight years. She served on the Council of Interior Design Qualifications (CIDQ) board of directors from 2009-2010 and 2012-2014, and as the CIDQ President in 2013. Ciesynski also helped create a non-profit community organization call 39 North Downtown and is current President of the Board.

Mickey served as board Chairman from 2016-2018 and Secretary/Treasurer from 2014-2016. He has been a board member since 2012. A third-generation Nevadan, Mickey is founder and president of the Reno-based firm, ARCaDESMA Architecture. He is currently Secretary of the Western Conference of Architectural Registration Boards (WCARB). Mickey served on the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Northern Nevada board from 1995 to 2005, serving as AIA Northern Nevada President in 2000 and AIA Nevada President in 2004.



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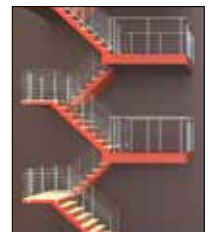
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- 21 AIA Nevada Board Meeting

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